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116TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. ADAMS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee  
on \_\_\_\_\_  
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**A BILL**

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Right to Protect Real  
5       Objectors Taking Exception to Systemic Transgressions  
6       Act of 2020” or the “Right to PROTEST Act of 2020”.

1 **SEC. 2. USE OF RIOT CONTROL AGENT AS CIVIL RIGHTS**  
2 **VIOLATIONS.**

3 Section 242 of title 18, United States Code, is  
4 amended by adding at the end the following: “For the pur-  
5 poses of this section, the use of a riot control agent with-  
6 out a prior clear and audible warning, and a reasonable  
7 amount of time for dispersal, is a punishment, pain, or  
8 penalty. The term ‘riot control agent’ has the meaning  
9 given the term ‘chemical weapon’ in section 229F, except  
10 that such term includes a toxic chemical and its precursors  
11 where intended for a purpose not prohibited under chapter  
12 11B.”.